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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the status of the claims to that as indicated as follows:

Claims 1-32 (canceled)

33. (new) A synergistic mixture for treating plant and plant products, comprising:

a citrus agent 30% - 60%
caprylic acid 10% - 30%
an alcohol 10% - 30%
a surfactant 5% - 15%.

34. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 33, wherein said citrus agent is cytrosan, and said mixture comprises:

cytrosan 44.4%
caprylic acid 22.2%
an alcohol 22.2%
a surfactant 11.1%

35. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 33, wherein said mixture is in a spray form.

36. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 35, wherein said spray form is diluted with 0.25 ml to 1.5 ml per liter of water.

37. (new) A synergistic mixture for treating plant and plant products, comprising:

a citrus agent;

caprylic acid; and,

an NPK as a micro-nutrient, said NPK being a mixture of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium and trace elements.

38. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 37, wherein said nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium are in a ratio of 10:20:10.

39. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 37, wherein said mixture is in a spray form.

40. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 39, wherein said spray form is diluted with 0.25 ml to 1.5 ml per liter of water.

41. (new) A synergistic mixture for treating plant and plant products, comprising:

a citrus agent;

caprylic acid; and,

an NPK as a micro-nutrient, said NPK being a mixture of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium and trace elements, and said citrus agent and caprylic acid, in combination with one another, are in the order of 5 ml to 20 ml per one liter of said micro-nutrient.

42. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 41, wherein said nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium are in a ratio of 10:20:10.

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43. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 41, wherein said mixture is in a spray form.

44. (new) The synergistic mixture according to Claim 43, wherein said spray form is diluted with 0.25 ml to 1.5 ml per liter of water.

ly, and are therefore submitted to be allowable. All other claims now pending depend from one of the foregoing independent claims and are, likewise, in condition for allowance.

The prior art rejections of the first Office Action are therefore respectfully contended to be moot in view of the presently-entered claim amendments.

Dependent Claims 35, 36, 39, 40, 43 and 44 recite that the claimed synergistic mixture --is in a spray form--, as recommended by the Examiner, and avoid the recitation that the mixture is "made for use" in spray form, as originally recited in Claims 29-32, which improperly incorporated a method step into composition claims, and which were objected to by the Examiner, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c), for improper dependency, as well as being rejected as indefinite under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

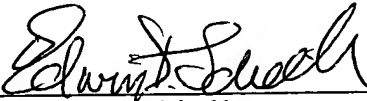
The claims now presented have been drafted to avoid a possible objection for having duplicative claims, as was the case with various claims previously pending.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully contended that all claims now pending in the above-identified patent application (i.e., Claims 33-44) recite a novel and efficient mixture of a citrus agent which contains, for example, a bioflavenoid, and caprylic acid and acts synergistically to treat plants by providing anti-bacterial and anti-fungal

protection to plants, which is patentably distinguishable over the prior art. Accordingly, withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections and the allowance of all claims now pending are respectfully requested and earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enc.: 1. Petition for One-Month Extension of Time; and,
2. Check for \$55.00 (Extension Fee).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account of Applicants' Attorney, Account No. 19-0450, for any additional fees which may be due in connection with the prosecution of the present application, but which have not otherwise been provided for.